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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Richard T. PON, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unknown
Application No.: 09/720,907)	
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Filed: January 3, 2001)	
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For: REUSABLE SOLID SUPPORT)	February 21, 2003
FOR OLIGONUCLEOTIDE	:	
SYNTHESIS)	

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete the paragraph at page 35, lines 24-25, and replace it with the following new paragraph: